

Obituaries

Jolene Hedrick Carley

Jolene (Hedrick) Carley, 93, died Sunday August 2, 2026. Graveside services will be held Saturday, August 8, at 1 p.m. at the Fredonia City Cemetery.

She was preceded in death by her most loved husband, Dwight Carley. Survivors: daughter, Kim Remsberg and husband, Brent; twin sister, Connie Creamer of Cypress, CA; 3 grandchildren: Kelly Elam (Edwin), Alison Bryant (Thomas), and Eric Remsberg; 5 great-grandchildren: Quinn Kelzer, Lillian Remsberg, Olivia, Charlotte, and Edith Bryant.

In lieu of flowers, Memorials are suggested to the Fredonia Recreation Commission Tennis Program and can be left with or mailed to Wickham Funeral Home and Cremation Service located at 510 N. 7th, Fredonia, KS 66736.

Donald V. Myers

Donald V. Myers, 94, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 28, 2026 in Wichita, KS.

He was born on February 2, 1932 in Fredonia, KS, the youngest child of Theodore and Marie Myers. Don was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather who lived his life based upon his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, his love for his family and his willingness to serve his country and community.

Don grew up on the family farm near Lafontaine, KS under the care of Godly parents. Don had dreams apart from the farm and chose to join the U.S. Navy a year after graduating from high school. Concurrent with joining the service, he married his high school sweetheart, Mary Yates. Don served four years during the Korean War on the aircraft carrier USS Midway. Following his discharge from the Navy, he enrolled in college and completed a four-year Mechanical Engineering degree. Don spent most of his professional engineering career, over 30 years, working at Gates Learjet and Boeing as a designer and test engineer.

Following his retirement from aerospace work, he felt a calling to enter Kansas state government and won a seat in the state legislature representing District 82, Derby / Oaklawn. Don was a strong advocate for the unborn and supported numerous pro-life bills while also providing staunch conservative principles. He often said he didn't go to Topeka to write and sponsor new bills, but to improve existing laws and eliminate useless and bad laws. He served in the legislature for 18 years and said those years were the most enjoyable and rewarding of his career.

Don was well-respected by

those who knew him. He was compassionate to those in need, patient while listening to differing views, and above all wanted to leave a legacy for his family and community. He will be missed for his upbeat attitude and his ability to make others feel special. Don carried this grace throughout his life; especially after being impacted by a massive stroke. Throughout the years following the stroke, he remained dedicated to his core beliefs of loving and lifting others up.

Don was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Myers; his parents, Theodore and Marie Myers; and his three older siblings: Ted Myers, Ethel Penn and Florence Crossfield. He is survived by his children: Jerry (Mary) Myers, Lane (Jeanne) Myers and Sherry (Troy) Wayman; eight grandchildren and their spouses, and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on August 7, 2026 at South Rock Christian Church in Derby, KS.

Beverly (Wood) Ehrenberger



Beverly Vernice (Wood) Ehrenberger was born on May 1, 1954, in Kimball, Nebraska, and passed away on Tuesday July 28, 2026, at Wesley Medical Center.

Beverly was a 1972 graduate of Cheney High School. She embarked on a varied and accomplished professional journey, working at the Post Office in Wichita, lending her skills to the Pizza Hut Corporate Office in Wichita, and spending time in construction alongside her father.

Beverly was united in marriage to Daryl Vickery in 1973, in Eureka Kansas, they later divorced.

Family always held a special place in Beverly's heart. She is survived by her beloved son and daughter-in-law, Travis (Stacy) Vickery; and siblings, Donna Maxwell, Danny (Susan) Wood, David Wood and Derek (Candee) Wood. Her memory continues to be cherished by her grandchildren, Shelby Stover, Brennan Vickery, and Gavin Vickery, as well as their spouses, Trinity Mullen, Alairia Vickery, and Grace Vickery. Beverly's legacy extends to her great-grandchildren: Elias, Junior, Arik, Tennessee, Finlay, Rosalind, Nehemiah, and Naomi.

Beverly was preceded in death by her parents Glen and Betty (Yates) Wood, and her dear sister Glenna Patry.

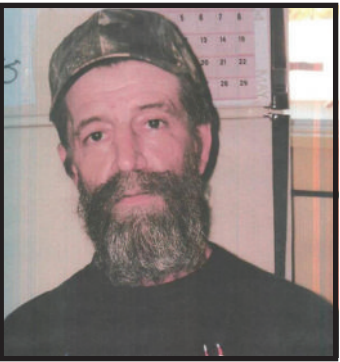
Known for her adventurous spirit and love of the outdoors, Beverly found great joy in fishing, especially for catfish. Some of her happiest moments were those spent by the water, rod in hand, enjoying the peacefulness of nature and the thrill of the catch. More than anything, Beverly treasured her time with family—her son, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She made every gathering special, ensuring that laughter and love filled every room she entered.

Beverly leaves behind a legacy of kindness, resilience, and devotion to those she loved. Her presence will be deeply missed, and her memory lovingly carried on by her family and all who were fortunate enough to know her.

Cremation has taken place, a Celebration of Life Service honoring Beverly will take place at the Buxton Christian Church, 3254 500 Road, Fredonia Kansas 66736, on Saturday, August 8, 2026, at 10 a.m.

Wickham Family Funeral Home and Cremation Service has been trusted with the arrangements.

Frederick Lamb



Frederick Lamb 69, of Eureka, KS, passed away on Sunday, August 2, 2026.

A full obituary with graveside services will be posted as soon as available.

Countryside Funeral Home in Fredonia is in charge of arrangements.

Geneva Alice Peterson



Geneva Alice Peterson, 97, of Fredonia, passed away on Saturday, August 1, 2026.

A full obituary with service details will be posted as soon as available.

Countryside Funeral Home in Fredonia is in charge of arrangements.

ASL group to meet Aug. 15 in Fredonia

A new group is seeking to support deaf and hard-of-hearing people in southeast Kansas. The first meeting for SEK ASL (American Sign Language) will be from 5-9 p.m. Aug. 15 at El Puerto's Mexican Restaurant, 1400 N. 2nd St., Fredonia. This meeting is for anyone

'Smart hives' is topic at Aug. 13 beekeepers' meeting in Indy

Do you ever feel like a bee hive is a black box that you have to break open to gain any meaningful insight? Do you wish that you could monitor your swarm traps or remote hives without driving miles out of your way? Want to know when the nectar flow really started? Turn guesswork into informed decisions by transforming your existing hive into a smart hive and learn how to use technology to your advantage at the Thursday, Aug. 13 meeting of the Montgomery County Beekeepers. Donnie Hoggatt will provide information on what the right data can tell you, looking at options for gathering data with or without internet access and exploring how to scale to a larger number of hives.

Starting at 6:30 p.m., the meeting will be held at Independence Community College West, 2615 West Main. A door prize related to beekeeping will be given. All beekeepers and anyone interested in honeybees is welcome to attend. For more information call 620-423-2721, 620-331-9394, 620-249-4864, 808-347-1557, 620-688-0000 or 918-977-1502.

in Iola, Humboldt, Chanute, Fredonia, Neodesha, and Independence who is deaf, hard-of-hearing, CODA (child(ren) of deaf adults) or hearing folks who are interested in learning ASL. As a dedicated space for the deaf community, this is an opportunity to share stories and learn from each other.

LEGAL NOTICE

(First published in the Wilson County Citizen on Thursday, August 6, 2026)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WILSON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE INTEREST OF:

A.R.S. yob: 2008
Case No. WL-2024-JC-14

NOTICE OF HEARING-Pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2237

TO: The mother, the father, the paternal grandparents, the maternal grandparents and all other persons who are or may be concerned

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court alleging that the child named above is a Child in Need of Care. The Court may find that the parents are unfit by reason or conduct or condition which renders the parents unable to care properly for a child, the conduct or condition is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future, the parental rights of the parent should be terminated, and a permanent custodian should be appointed for the child.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for the 31st day of August 2026, at 1:30 p.m. At the hearing the Court may issue orders relating to the care, custody, and control of the child. The hearing will determine if the parents should be deprived of their parental rights and the right to custody of the child.

The parent(s), and any other person having legal custody are required to appear before this Court on the date and time shown, or to file your written response to the petition with the Clerk of the District Court prior to that time. Failure to respond or to appear before the Court at the time shown will not prevent the Court from entering judgment as requested in the petition, finding that the child is a Child in Need of Care, removing the child from the custody of parent, parents, or any other present legal custodian until further order of the Court, or finding the parents unfit, and entering an order permanently terminating the parents' parental rights.

An attorney has been appointed as guardian ad litem for the child: Timothy Clover (620)431-2403. You have the right to appear before the Court and be heard personally, either with or without an attorney. The Court will appoint an attorney for any parent who desires an attorney but is financially unable to hire one. The Court may order one or both parents to pay child support. An attorney has been appointed for you: Father: Jacob Manbeck (620)305-2593; Mother: Kenna Bideau-Kepley (620)431-2720.

Date and time of hearing: August 31, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.

Place of hearing: Wilson County Courtroom, 615 Madison, Courtroom 210, Fredonia, KS 66736.

/s/ Jaymee May

District Court/Deputy Clerk

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2027

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Chetopa Township
Wilson County

will meet on August 19, 2026 at 8:00 p.m. at Vern Crawshaw's residence for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at Vern Crawshaw's residence and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2025		Current Year Estimate 2026		Proposed Budget 2027		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	988	0.094	1,123	0.094	1,275	1,089	0.092
Cemetery	3,580	0.460	5,250	0.420	6,825	4,870	0.410
Special Machinery							
Totals	4,568	0.554	6,373	0.514	8,100	5,959	0.502

Revenue Neutral Rate** 0.502

Less: Transfers	0	0	0
Net Expenditure	4,568	6,373	8,100
Total Tax Levied	5,917	5,937	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Assessed Valuation:			
Township	10,700,546	11,571,491	11,872,754
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1			
2024		2025	2026
G.O. Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Purchase Principal	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.
**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

Vern Crawshaw
Township Officer

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

2027
State of Kansas
Special District

The governing body of
High Prairie Cemetery District #23
Wilson County

will meet on August 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at David Marple's residence for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to levied. Detailed budget information is available at John Gallons's residence and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2027 Expenditures and Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2027 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual 2025		Current Year Estimate for 2026		Proposed Budget Year for 2027		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2026 Ad Valorem Tax	Proposed Estimated Tax Rate*
General	10,265	1.830	16,842	1.834	22,950	7,247	1.649
Debt Service							
Totals	10,265	1.830	16,842	1.834	22,950	7,247	1.649

Revenue Neutral Rate** 1.649

Less: Transfers	0	0	0
Net Expenditures	10,265	16,842	22,950
Total Tax Levied	7,038	7,050	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Assessed Valuation	3,837,710	3,949,864	4,395,065

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1			
2024		2025	2026
G.O. Bonds	0	0	0
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.
**Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

John Gallon
Officer

Fredonia Livestock Auction

360 W. Madison St., Fredonia, KS

(620) 378-2212

Email: fredoniasalebarn@gmail.com

Sale every Tuesday at Noon
Cody Mathes, Manager: 620-288-0034
Rodney Shaw, Manager: 620-583-9467
Brad Haun: 620-485-4530
August 4, 2026 - Headcount: 1,725

Nice sale for Special Fall Calf Sale! All classes of weaned calves sold \$20 higher. Un-weaned cattle sold \$30 dollar behind weaned. Bred heifers sold up to \$5,400.00. Weigh cows & bulls sold steady for quality. Check us out on Facebook. Call with your consignments or to have cattle videoed. If you have grass to lease, please give us a call.

Steers
2hd, blk, Fredonia, 523lbs., \$471.00
3hd, blk, BonnerSprgs, 585lbs., \$431.00
3hd, blk, Humboldt, 620lbs., \$420.00
5hd, blk, Coffeyville, 656lbs., \$427.00
18hd, blk, Indy, 67 lbs., \$419.00
21hd, blk, Iola, 684lbs., \$408.00
5hd, blk, Altoona, 700lbs., \$391.00
44hd, mix, Sedan, 718lbs., \$380.00
5hd, bwf, BRTVLE, 72 lbs., \$407
34hd, blk, ElkCity, 730lbs., \$384.00
17hd, mix, BonnerSprg, 731lbs., \$386
7hd, blk, Coffeyville, 765lbs., \$378
27hd, blk, Toronto, 778lbs., \$375.50
26hd, blk, CFVLE, 80 lbs., \$368
41hd, mix, Fredonia, 806lbs., \$368.00
62hd, chr, FallRiver, 829lbs., \$366.50
7hd, mix, Sedan, 889lbs., \$337.00
61hd, mix, Pawhuska, 895lbs., \$335.25

Steers, continued
5hd, blk, Thayer, 509lbs., \$425.00
5hd, blk, Iola, 528lbs., \$431.00
2hd, blk, Thayer, 565lbs., \$385.00
12hd, blk, Iola, 603lbs., \$389.00
13hd, mix, Fredonia, 626lbs., \$384.00
4hd, mix, Howard, 644lbs., \$396.00
6hd, mix, Erie, 680lbs., \$386.00
8hd, blk, Iola, 696lbs., \$364.50
44hd, blk, Humboldt, 713lbs., \$374.75
(These were replacement quality.)
5hd, blk, Moran, 744lbs., \$349.50
6hd, chr, FallRiver, 754lbs., \$353.50
12hd, mix, Howard, 770lbs., \$335.00
48hd, blk, Westphalia, 926lbs., \$313.75

The market report is based on choice stocker & feeder calves.
Pairs: NO TEST Weigh Cows: \$160-\$183
Bred Cows: \$3,500-\$5,400 Weigh Bulls: \$215-\$225

Fredonia Livestock Auction, LLC...Where top dollar and customer satisfaction meet.